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Subject: [GCO] Updated DHHS Rate Agreement and Split Indirect Cost Rate Sponsored Projects



Research News

Dear Research Community,

This notice is to inform you of the following updates:

1. ISMMS' new DHHS Rate Agreement dated October 15, 2021
2. New Rate Agreement and New Procedure for Calculating Overhead on Sponsored Projects that are Conducted Both On and Off Campus
3. Sponsored Projects Conducted On and Off Campus and Disclosing in InfoEd
4. Split Rate Grants Under Former DHHS Rate Agreements

1. ISMMS's new DHHS Rate Agreement dated October 15, 2021

Some federal funding agencies request the rate agreement date in the sponsored project application so do take note. This date is also included in our updated [Administrative Info Sheet](#). The updated rate agreement is available upon request so feel free to contact Sponsored Projects Finance or the GCO for a copy.

In this new agreement, Mount Sinai has an updated procedure for charging overhead on sponsored projects conducted both on campus (i.e., Mount Sinai facilities such as the school or any of our hospitals) and off campus (i.e., James J Peters VA Medical Center). We have traditionally called these "split rate" projects.

Question: My project is conducted in Mount Sinai school and hospital facilities only. How does this new rate agreement affect me?

Answer: It doesn't. You can stop reading now.

2. New Rate Agreement and New Procedure for Calculating Overhead on Sponsored Projects that are Conducted Both On and Off Campus

Moving forward, as of October 15, 2021, if you are submitting a competitive sponsored project that is conducted at both Mount Sinai facilities and facilities not owned or leased by Mount Sinai (ex: JJPVAMC facilities), you choose one

rate, and that is the rate where the project is primarily conducted. You no longer use a split rate calculation.

If you have a Federal contract,(i.e., not a grant) begin employing this new method in the next funding increment whether or not the next increment is competitive. Finance will start charging at the single rate beginning January 1, 2022.


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excerpt from new DHHS Rate Agreement

2) Off - Campus definition: All activities conducted in facilities not owned by the institution, with the exception of those conducted in Mount Sinai Hospital or leased space, are considered Off-Campus. Activities conducted in Mount Sinai Hospital, or leased are considered On- Campus. Grants or contracts will not be subject to more than one F&A cost rate. If more than 50% of a project is performed off-campus, the off-campus rate will apply to the entire project.

3. Sponsored Projects Conducted On and Off Campus and Disclosing in InfoEd


This question on the InfoEd Set Up tab has been activated. It is important to carefully review the selection and choose accordingly.

 **Say La Vee to Split Rate Grants**
Allison Gottlieb - Grants and Contracts Office (National Institutes Of Health/DHHS)

Setup Questions **Setup Questions**

Please answer all questions below and click SAVE.

Each proposal is broken down into several sections based upon what the sponsor and your institution requires.



Scroll down the form to the bottom

Budget Setup Information

The majority of the research will be conducted

On Campus Off Campus

4. Split Rate Grants Under Former DHHS Rate Agreements

For split rate sponsored **grants** awarded under former DHHS rate agreements, continue using the split rates awarded. When you apply for a competitive application, do then begin calculating overhead and preparing budgets according to the new procedure.

Please contact the [GCO](#) with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Are you submitting a project to the GCO? Please follow GCO's [Application Submission Checklist](#). Failure to do so can lead to delays and the risk of rejection.

Questions about Sponsored Projects? Please click [here](#) for a listing of Departmental Grants Specialists at the GCO who can assist you.

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